1. Mission. The 48th Intelligence Squadron (48 IS) prepares forces to provide near-real-time intelligence derived from the Distributed Common Ground Station (DCGS) and compatible platforms to the decision maker such as; unified commands; joint task forces (JTF); air operations centers, and national-level command, control, and intelligence nodes; in peace, crisis, and war. During peacetime, the 48 IS conducts information operations to support Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS)-directed sensitive reconnaissance operations and operational exercises; and conducts operational training to maintain information superiority. During a contingency or war, the 48 IS provides battle space war fighters and headquarters elements with time-sensitive intelligence products required to determine the disposition of enemy forces and to assist friendly forces in responding to threats directed toward us and allied interests. Specific intelligence applications include battle space surveillance and warning, target and order-of-battle analysis, battle damage assessment, and current intelligence support.

2. Command.   The 48 IS is under the:

2.1. Combat command of the Commander-in-Chief, United States Atlantic Command.

2.2. Operational control of the Commander, Air Combat Command (ACC/CC), through the Commander, 12th Air Force (12 AF), 612th Air Intelligence Group (612 AIG).

2.3. Administrative control of the Commander, Air Intelligence Agency, through the 67th Intelligence Wing (67 IW), 67th Intelligence Group (67 IG).

3. Responsibilities. The Commander (48 IS/CC):

3.1. Prepare forces for DCGS operational employment for ACC/CC.

3.2. Provides DCGS associated communications, logistical support, and intelligence operations to the Commander, AIA, the service cryptologic element. The 48 IS/CC manages:

3.2.1. Internal communications requirements to support ground station operations.

3.2.2. Maintenance and supply requirements to support ground station operations.

3.2.3. Identifies and fills intelligence operations to satisfy customer requirements in peace, crisis and war.

3.2.4. Identifies and fills computer, communications, and information security requirements to support local and deployed ground station operations.

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